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BILL ANALYSIS

County Affairs Committee H.J.R. 80 By: Black 5-3-95 Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND

Since the office of county constable is and has been unfilled and not needed for the fiscal, social, and governmental welfare of Mills County, House Joint Resolution 80 has been filed to abolish the office of county constable as required by the Texas Constitution. In interest of cost savings, the Mills County Commissioner's Court unanimously passed a resolution in support of the county constable office being abolished.

PURPOSE

House Joint Resolution 80 allows for the abolition of the office of County Constable in Mills County, if approved by the voters.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency or institution.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1 Amends Article V, Section 18, of the Texas Constitution by adding subsection (e) which provides that the office of county constable is abolished in Mills County and transfers the powers, duties, and records of the office to the office of County Sheriff. Subsection (a) is amended to make conforming changes.

SECTION 2 Adds temporary provisions to the Texas Constitution that should the constitutional amendment be approved by the voters abolishing the Mills County Office of Constable, that it take effect on January 1, 1996.

SECTION 3 Sets forth ballot provisions.

SUMMARY OF COMMITTEE ACTION

HJR 80 was considered by the County Affairs Committee in a public hearing on 4/12/95. HJR 80 was referred directly to a subcommittee consisting of Representatives Chisum, chr., R. Lewis and Longoria. HJR 80 was considered in the County Affairs Committee in a public hearing on 4/19/95. HJR 80 was recalled from subcommittee and left pending. HJR 80 was considered by the County Affairs Committee in a formal meeting on 5/3/95. HJR 80 was reported favorably with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed, by the record vote of 5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 pnv, 3 absent.

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE 74th Regular Session

March 8, 1995

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LIST OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS CONSIDERED

HJR80.2n - Second Reading

AMENDMENT #	AUTHOR	DESCRIPTION	ACTION
1	Craddick	Amendment	Adopted



FLOOR AMENDMENT NO. 1

BY Caddick

Amend H.J.R. No. 80 as follows:

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On page 2, lines 25 and 26, strike the ballot proposition in Section 3 and substitute the following: "The constitutional amendment providing for the abolition of the office of constable in Mills, Reagan, and Roberts counties."

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(In the Senate - Received from the House May 11, 19
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LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE 74th Regular Session

May 15, 1995

TO: Honorable Rodney Ellis, Chair

Committee on Intergovernmental Relations

Senate

Austin, Texas

IN RE: House Joint Resolution

No. 80, as engrossed

By: Black

FROM: John Keel, Director

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LBB Staff: JK, RS, RR

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD Austin, Texas

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March 8, 1995

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A JOINT RESOLUTION

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FISCAL NOTE 74th Regular Session

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LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD Austin, Texas

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CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

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HOUSE ENGROSSMENT

SENATE AMENDMENTS

CONFERENCE

Bill Text: proposes a constitutional amendment to abolish the office of constable in Mills, Reagan, and Roberts counties.

Floor Amendment: deletes Reagan county and proposes a constitutional amendment to abolish the office of constable in Mills and Roberts counties.

Same as House Version

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD Austin, Texas

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HOUSE ENGROSSMENT

SENATE AMENDMENTS

CONFERENCE

Bill Text:

proposes a constitutional amendment to abolish the office of constable in Mills, Reagan, and Roberts counties.

Floor Amendment: deletes Reagan county and proposes a constitutional amendment to abolish the office of constable in Mills and Roberts counties. Same as House Version

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE 74th Regular Session

March 8, 1995

TO: Honorable Ron Lewis, Chair Committee on County Affairs House of Representatives Austin, Texas IN RE: House Joint Resolution No. 80

By: Black

FROM: John Keel, Director

In response to your request for a Fiscal Note on House Joint Resolution No. 80 (Proposing a constitutional amendment to abolish the office of constable in Mills County.) this office has determined the following:

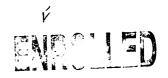
No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated, other than the cost of publication.

The cost to the State for publication of the resolution is \$90,000.

Because the bill would not have statewide impact on units of local government of the same type or class, no comment from this office is required by the rules of the House as to its probable fiscal implication on units of local government.

Source:

LBB Staff: JK, RS, RR



H.J.R. No. 80

A JOINT RESOLUTION

- proposing a constitutional amendment to abolish the office of constable in Mills, Reagan, and Roberts counties.
- 3 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- SECTION 1. Section 18, Article V, Texas Constitution, is amended by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsections (e) and (f) to read as follows:
- 7 (a) Each county in the State with a population of 30,000 or more, according to the most recent federal census, from time 8 9 time, for the convenience of the people, shall be divided into not 10 less than four and not more than eight precincts. Each county 11 the State with a population of 18,000 or more but less than 30,000, according to the most recent federal census, from time to time, for 12 13 the convenience of the people, shall be divided into not less than 14 two and not more than five precincts. Each county in the State with a population of less than 18,000, according to the most recent 15 16 federal census, from time to time, for the convenience of the 17 people, shall be designated as a single precinct or, if 18 Commissioners Court determines that the county needs more than one precinct, shall be divided into not more than four precincts. 19 20 Notwithstanding the population requirements of this subsection, 21 Chambers County, from time to time, for the convenience of the people, shall be divided into not less than two and not more than 22 23 six precincts. A division or designation under this subsection 24 shall be made by the Commissioners Court provided for by this

- 1 Except as provided by Subsection (e) of this Constitution. section, in [fin] each such precinct there shall be elected one 2 Justice of the Peace and one Constable, each of whom shall hold his office for four years and until his successor shall be elected and qualified; provided that in a county with a population of less than 5 150,000, according to the most recent federal census, 6 7 in which there may be a city of 18,000 or 8 inhabitants, there shall be elected two Justices of the Peace, and in a county with a population of 150,000 or more, according to the 9 most recent federal census, each precinct may contain more than one 10 Justice of the Peace Court. 11
- (e) The office of Constable in Mills County is abolished.

 The powers, duties, and records of the office are transferred to the County Sheriff.
- (f) The office of Constable in Reagan County and the office 15 of Constable in Roberts County are abolished. The functions of the 16 17 office are transferred to the County Sheriff. However, the office of Constable is abolished under this subsection only if, at the 18 19 statewide election at which the constitutional amendment providing 20 for the abolition is submitted to the voters, a majority of the voters of Reagan County or Roberts County, as applicable, voting on 21 the question at that election favor the amendment. 22
- 23 SECTION 2. The following temporary provision is added to the 24 Texas Constitution:
- TEMPORARY PROVISION. The abolition of the office of constable in Mills County under the constitutional amendment proposed by the 74th Legislature, Regular Session, 1995, providing

- for the abolition of the office in that county takes effect January
- 2 1, 1996. This provision expires January 2, 1996.
- 3 SECTION 3. The following temporary provision is added to the
- 4 Texas Constitution:
- 5 TEMPORARY PROVISION. The abolition of the office of
- 6 constable in Reagan County and in Roberts County under the
- 7 constitutional amendment proposed by the 74th Legislature, Regular
- 8 Session, 1995, providing for the abolition of that office in those
- 9 counties, takes effect January 1, 1996, if the conditions of
- 10 Subsection (f), Section 18, Article V, as added by that
- 11 constitutional amendment, are met. This temporary provision
- expires January 2, 1996.
- 13 SECTION 4. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
- 14 submitted to the voters at an election to be held on November 7,
- 15 1995. The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against
- 16 the proposition: "The constitutional amendment providing for the
- 17 abolition of the office of constable in Mills, Reagan, and Roberts
- 18 counties."

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.J.R. No. 80 was passed by the House on May 10, 1995, by the following vote: Yeas 120, Nays 7, 2 present, not voting; that the House refused to concur in Senate amendments to H.J.R. No. 80 on May 26, 1995, by a non-record vote and requested the appointment of a conference committee to consider the differences between the two houses; and that the House adopted the conference committee report on H.J.R. No. 80 on May 28, 1995, by the following vote: Yeas 142, Nays 1, 1 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

H.J.R. No. 80

I certify that H.J.R. No. 80 was passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 25, 1995, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0; at the request of the House, the Senate appointed a conference committee to consider the differences between the two houses; and that the Senate adopted the conference committee report on H.J.R. No. 80 on May 29, 1995, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 1.

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Secretary	of	the	Senate	

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	Secretary of State

BILL ANALYSIS

Senate Research Center

H.J.R. 80 By: Black (Sims) Intergovernmental Relations 07-03-95 Enrolled

BACKGROUND

Since the office of county constable is and has been unfilled and not needed for the fiscal, social, and governmental welfare of Mills County, H.J.R. 80 has been filed to abolish the office of county constable as required by the Texas Constitution. In the interest of cost savings, the Mills County Commissioners Court unanimously passed a resolution in support of the office of the county constable being abolished.

PURPOSE

As enrolled, H.J.R. 80 requires the submission to the voters of a constitutional amendment to abolish the office of county constable in Mills County.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 18, Article V, Texas Constitution, by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsections (e) and (f), as follows:

- (a) Makes a conforming change.
- (e) Provides that the office of constable in Mills County is abolished and that the powers, duties, and records of the office are transferred to the county sheriff.
- (f) Provides that the offices of constable in Reagan County and Roberts County are abolished and the functions of the office of constable are transferred to the county sheriff. Provides that the office of constable is abolished under this section only if a majority of the voters of Reagan County or Roberts County voting on the question at a statewide election favor a constitutional amendment providing for the abolition.
- SECTION 2. TEMPORARY PROVISION. Provides that the abolition of the office of constable in Mills County under the constitutional amendment proposed by the 74th Legislature, Regular Session, 1995, takes effect January 1, 1996. Provides that this provision expires January 2, 1996.
- SECTION 3. TEMPORARY PROVISION. Provides that the abolition of the office of constable in Reagan County and in Roberts County under the constitutional amendment proposed by the 74th Legislature, Regular Session, 1995, takes effect January 1, 1996, if the conditions of Section 18(f), Article V, as added by the constitutional amendment, are met. Provides that this temporary provision expires January 2, 1996.
- SECTION 4. Requires this proposed constitutional amendment to be submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 7, 1995. Sets forth the required language for the ballot.

President of the Senate Speaker of the House
I certify that H.J.R. No. $\frac{80}{(1)}$ was passed by the House
on, 10, 1995, by the following vote:
on May 10, 1995, by the following vote: Yeas $\frac{120}{(3)}$, Nays $\frac{7}{(4)}$, $\frac{2}{(4)}$ present, not voting;
that the House refused to concur in Senate amendments to H.J.R. No. $\frac{8}{20}$ on $\frac{26}{(5)}$, 1995, by the following votes:
(6) (7) and requested the appointment of a conference committee to consider th
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differences between the two houses; and that the House adopted
the conference committee report on H.J.R. No. 80 on
$\frac{M(a_1 28)}{(8)}$, 1995, by the following vote:
Yeas $\frac{142}{(9)}$, Nays $\frac{1}{(10)}$, Nays $\frac{1}{(10)}$, Nays $\frac{1}{(10)}$, Nays $\frac{1}{(10)}$.
Chief Clerk of the House
**** Preparation: CT21;
I certify that H.J.R. No. $\frac{80}{(1)}$ was passed by the Senate, with amendments, on $\frac{80}{(2)}$, 1995, by the
with amendments, on (2) (3) , Nays (4)
at the request of the House, the Senate appointed a conference
committee to consider the differences between the two
houses; and that the Senate adopted the conference committee
report on H.J.R. No. 80° on 1995 ,
by the following vote:
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(6)
Secretary of the Senate
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**** Preparation: CT22;

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5/3/93	Reported favorably (as amended) (as substituted)
MAY 0 6 1995	Sent to Committee on Calendars
MAY 1 0 1995	Read second time (comm. subst.) (amended) and adopted (passed to third reading) by a record vote of
	Read third time (amended) and finally adopted (failed of adoption) by a
MAY 10 1995	record vote of yeas, nays, present, not voting
	Engrossed
MAY 1 1 1995	Sent to Senate Cuttha Guhard
	CHIEF CLERK OF THE HOUSE
MAY 1 1 1995	Received from the House
MAY 1 2 1995	Read and referred to Committee on INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS
MAY 1 7 1995	Reported favorably
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	Reported adversely, with favorable Committee Substitute; Committee Substitute read first time
	Ordered not printed
	_ Laid before the Senate
MAY 2 5 1995	Senate and Constitutional Rules to permit consideration suspended by (unanimous consent)
MAY 251995	Read second time,, and passed to third reading by (unanimous consent)
	, and passed to third reading by (unanimous consent)
	(yeas,nays)

Senate and Constitutional 3 Day Rules suspended by a vote of 31 yeas, 0 nays

, and passed by $3/\sqrt{3}$

5-25-95 Returned to the House

OTHER SENATE ACTION:

MAY 25 1995

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MAY 25 1995	Returned from the Senate (as substituted)- (with amendments)
MAY 26 1995	House concurred in Senate amendments by a (non-record vote) (record vote of yeas, nays, present, not voting) House refused to concur in Senate amendments and requested the appointment of a conference committee
MAY 26 1995	by a (non-record vote) (record vote of
5-27-95	Senate granted House request. Senate conferees appointed: 15 m/5 , Chair;
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